**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH**

**ABSTRACT**

Public Services – Pedana Municipality – Allegations of irregularities in handling advances taken in Pedana Municipality – Sri M. Vinod Kumar, the then Junior Assistant of Pedana Municipality - Disciplinary proceedings initiated under Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991– Inquiry conducted – Findings examined – Imposition of penalty of withholding one (1) annual grade increment without cumulative effect" under Rule 9 of the A.P.C.S. (CC&A) Rules, 1991 – Orders – Issued.

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MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (Vig.II.1) DEPARTMENT

**G.O.RT.No. 261** **Dated: 03-04-2025**

**Read the following:**

1. From the Director of Municipal Administration, A.P., Guntur, Lr.Roc.No.E- 469270/2018/C1-2, dt.02.10.2018.
2. G.O.Rt.Nos.509, MA&UD(Vig.II) Dept, dated.19.08.2019.
3. G.O.Rt.Nos.510 MA&UD(Vig.II) Dept, dated.19.08.2019
4. G.O.Rt.No.275, MA&UD(Vig.II) Dept dated.19.06.2020
5. G.O.Rt.No.276, MA&UD(Vig.II) Dept dated.19.06.2020
6. Inquiry Report of Sri B. Nagendra Kumar, Additional Project Director, APUWSSMIP, Vijayawada,, Lr. No. APUF-14023/6/2020-F AND ACCT SEC- APUFIDC, Dt: 15/02/2023.
7. Govt. Memo No 1796923/Vig.II/2018/A1(E-642108), dt .31.08.2023
8. From Sri M. Vinod Kumar, the then Junior Assistant of Pedana Municipality, written representation, dated 30.07.2024.

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**O R D E R**:

Whereas, in references second and third read above, Government have initiated disciplinary proceedings under Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991 read with Rule 24 of the said Rules, against Sri M. Vinod Kumar, the then Junior Assistant of Pedana Municipality on allegations of irregularities in handling advances taken in Pedana Municipality.

2. Whereas, in the G.O. fourth read above, Sri B. Nagendra Kumar, Additional Project Director, APUWSSMIP, Vijayawada, was appointed as an Inquiry Authority to conduct regular inquiry into the articles of charge. Further, in the G.O. fifth read above, the Municipal Commissioner, Pedana Municipality, Krishna District, was appointed as the Presenting Officer, to present the case on behalf of the disciplinary authority.

3. Whereas, in reference sixth read above, the Inquiring Authority has submitted the Inquiry Report, concluding that out of five charges framed against Sri M. Vinod Kumar, the then Junior Assistant, one charge was partially proved, while the remaining four charges were fully proved.

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4. Whereas, Government have accepted the findings of the Inquiring Authority and communicated a copy of the Inquiry Report to the Charged Officer for submission of written representation, as required under Rule 21(2) of the A.P. Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991, vide reference seventh read above.

5. Whereas, in the reference eighth read above, Sri M. Vinod Kumar, the then Junior Assistant of Pedana Municipality, submitted his written representation requesting to drop further action against him.

6. And whereas, after careful examination of the findings of the Inquiry Authority and the written representation submitted by Sri M. Vinod Kumar, the then Junior Assistant of Pedana Municipality, Government have decided to impose the penalty of "withholding one (1) annual grade increment without cumulative effect " on Sri M. Vinod Kumar, the then Junior Assistant of Pedana Municipality under Rule 9 of the A.P.C.S. (CC&A) Rules, 1991. Accordingly, the Government hereby imposes the penalty of " withholding one (1) annual grade increment without cumulative effect "on Sri M. Vinod Kumar, the then Junior Assistant of Pedana Municipality, under Rule 9 of the A.P.C.S. (CC&A) Rules, 1991.

7. The Commissioner and Director of Municipal Administration, Andhra Pradesh, Vaddeswaram, shall take necessary action to implement the penalty imposed.

8. The receipt of this G.O. shall be acknowledged, forthwith.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

**S. SURESH KUMAR**
**PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To
Sri M. Vinod Kumar, the then Junior Assistant of Pedana Municipality through CDMA, AP.
The Commissioner and Director of Municipal Administration, Andhra Pradesh, Vaddeswaram.

**Copy to**:
The Secretary to A.P. Vigilance Commission, 5th Block, A.P. Secretariat
The Commissioner, Pedana Municipality.
The OSD to Hon'ble Minister, MA&UD Department.
The PS to Principal Secretary to Government, MA&UD Department.
SF/SC.

**//FORWARDED BY ORDER//**

**SECTION OFFICER.**